

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 184 - SB 176

April 5, 2021

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Makes various changes to the licensing and prescribing authority for advanced practice registered nurses (APRN).

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006543): Deletes and replace language in the original bill such that the amended bill recognizes compact privileges to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse and additionally authorizes the signature of an advanced practice registered nurse on a death certificate.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the Board of Nursing (BON) currently issues a certificate for APRNs. The proposed legislation would change the certificate to a license with no fiscal impact.
- Pursuant to board rule 1000-04-.06, the BON currently charges \$0 for application for APRN certificates and \$100 for biannual renewal.
- It is reasonably assumed the BON will charge the same fees for an APRN license.
- The proposed legislation will not result in an increase in APRNs; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Any decrease in BON's expenditures is estimated to be not significant.
- The BON can accommodate rulemaking and notification of licensees utilizing existing resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Nursing had an annual surplus of \$1,362,072 in FY18-19, an annual surplus of \$60,992 in FY19-20, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$9,408,064 on June 30, 2020.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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